

# Cataract Surgery

**BRING THIS COMPLETED FORM TO HOSPITAL ON DAY OF SURGERY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surgery Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Surgery Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Be at the hospital one hour before surgery time: \_\_\_\_\_

Your driver's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

We need your driver's phone number to call them with the time to pick you up after surgery on 3 West, Eye Clinic. You will be at the hospital for about 2 hours.

## GETTING READY FOR SURGERY

- Make sure you have a ride home from the hospital by someone you know.** Plan for an adult to be with you for 24 hours after your surgery. **NO TAXI OR BUS ALONE** or your surgery will be cancelled.
- Do not eat after midnight, the night before your surgery.
- You can drink water up to **4 hours** before your surgery.
- On the morning of surgery, take your morning medications with a sip of water only. **DO NOT** take your diabetic medication. Bring the diabetic medications with you to the hospital. Please list the medication you took and what time.

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- Do not wear makeup or jewelry on the day of your surgery. **DO NOT** keep anything in your pockets.
- Wear a clean loose fitting, short-sleeved top with buttons or zippers in order to change without bumping the eye shield after surgery.

On the day of surgery, please **bring with you:**

- Ontario Health Card
- A list with your medications. An up-to-date print out from your Pharmacy.
- A list of your allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

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On the day of surgery, please **bring with you: (Continued)**

- Dark glasses to wear after your surgery
- Wear your dentures, hearing aids and glasses. Bring your glasses and hearing aids cases.
- Your wheelchair, walker or cane; extra slippers or shoes in rainy or snowy weather

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## Where to go on the day of surgery

Your driver can drop you off at the **Ambulatory Care Patient drop off**, and pick you up on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at the 3 West, Eye Clinic.

- Take the main elevator to the third floor
- Follow the sign to the check-in desk to register for the 3 West, Eye Clinic.

## Going home after surgery

- The nurse will phone your driver to come and pick you up on 3 West, Eye Clinic. The driver can park in the **Ambulatory Care Patient drop off** for 10 minutes to come in and pick you up.
- Make sure you have any prescriptions you need.
- Make sure your driver is able to take you to your follow-up appointment the same afternoon or the next day at the surgeon's office
- Any payments made can be paid at the Cashier on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, past the Gift Shop.

## If your driver needs to use hospital parking

- Use parking lot B off Third Street at the Welland Hospital site.
- Bring the ticket that you receive at the parking gate with you.
- Before leaving the building, put your ticket into one of the ticket kiosks found at all major exits. The kiosk will tell you how much to pay. You can pay cash or credit.
- After you pay, take the ticket and put it into the machine at the parking gate. The gate will lift so you can leave the parking lot.

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<b>Need to change or cancel your Surgery Date?</b>
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<b>Call your surgeon's office</b>
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